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Johannes Koenig, East German ambassador to Peking, who returned to his post on 1 December after spending two weeks in Berlin, had confidential conversation on 5 December with CHOU En-lai concerning Korean conflict. CHOU gave the following summary of his governments point of view: There are only two possible ways of preventing another World War, namely, the evacuation of Korea by the United Nations forces or by Chinese forces. Since at present neither side is willing to leave Korea, the Third World War is inevitable. China has therefore made itself ready for this war.

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